

REMARKS

This is a simultaneous amendment for a divisional application based on copending application Ser.No. 10/276,410 (the parent application).

I. Claim Changes

This divisional application is filed to prosecute the subject matter of Group II on page 2 of the Office Action in the parent application. Accordingly the subject matter of new claims 11 to 19 is limited to the case of X = S, Y1 and Y2 each being nitrogen and the heterocyclic groups have been eliminated from the R groups. Also W and V do not form a ring system together.

New claims 11 to 19 have been added. Claim 13 is an independent claim reciting preferred compounds of Group II, i.e. the preferred benzthiazoles.

Minor informalities, such as antecedent basis problems, have been corrected.

II. Changes in the Specification and Abstract

Similar changes have been made in the specification and abstract as were made in the simultaneous amendment for the parent application, Ser.No. 10/276,410. These changes were necessary to correct compound nomenclature errors to comply with U.S. Patent Office Rules.

A cross-reference to the parent application has also been inserted in the

specification, as required by U.S. Patent Office Rules.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawing be further amended or corrected in formal respects to put this case in condition for final allowance, then it is requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment and the case passed to issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing the case to allowance, he or she is invited to telephone the undersigned at 1-631-549 4700.

In view of the foregoing, favorable allowance is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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